State of Alaska FY2010 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Education and Early Development Commissions and Boards Results Delivery Unit Budget Summary

Commissions and Boards Results Delivery Unit

Contribution to Department's Mission

The Commissions and Boards RDU includes funding for two distinct programs: the Professional Teaching Practices Commission and the Alaska State Council on the Arts. Their contributions to the department's mission are:

Professional Teaching Practices Commission - To ensure that members of the teaching profession in Alaska are qualified and ethical educators.

Alaska State Council on the Arts - To foster the development of art for all Alaskans through education, partnerships, grants and services.

Core Services

- Investigate properly filed complaints against certified educators
- Sanction the certificates of educators found to have committed illegal, immoral or unethical acts
- Promote adherence to the Code of Ethics by certified educators
- Review regulations of the department as they relate to teacher certification
- Build vibrant communities through grants and services to artists and arts organizations
- Manage and sustain Arts In Education program
- Recognize and promote artistic excellence through programs such as the Governor's Awards
- Coordinate the State of Alaska Silver Hand Native Art authenticity program, including artist marketing for Alaska Native Artists
- Provide training opportunities for new and emerging arts organizations

FY2010 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results						
Personnel: Full time	7					
Part time	0					
Total	7					
	Full time Part time					

Key RDU Challenges

Professional Teaching Practices Commission

- The ability of the Commission to investigate all complaints in a timely manner or pursue lengthy investigations or hearings is limited by the available resources. The Commission is funded entirely by fees paid by individuals seeking teaching certification in Alaska.
- The Commission strives to increase public knowledge and awareness of professional, ethical standards for teachers and administrators and to create an awareness of the Commission's role and responsibility in disciplining certified educators.

Alaska State Council on the Arts (ASCA)

- To continue to meet the demand for grants and programs in all regions of the state
- To expand the Arts in Education program to meet the demand for teacher professional development, arts residencies throughout the state, and develop comprehensive statewide arts education goals and policies
- Developing a statewide communication network required to maximize participation in the Percent for Art program

by all public agencies

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2010

Professional Teaching Practices Commission

See individual component changes in the results to be delivered in FY2010.

Alaska State Council on the Arts

NATIVE ARTS: In 2010 ASCA is anticipating the second year of a three year grant increase from the National Endowment for the Arts (total 2010 grant anticipated: \$700,000) specifically to address two Native Art projects:

- (1) To host a Southwest Alaska Regional Alaska Native Artists Summit in Bethel
- (1) To undertake research to produce "Alaska's Living Cultural Treasures: A Registry of and Folk Artists"

Traditional

ASCA works closely with the Native Arts Advisory committee to identify statewide needs of Alaska Native Artists. The regional Native Artist summits that ASCA has sponsored over the last two years provide invaluable professional development training and critical information for Alaska's Native Artists. In addition, ASCA will begin primary research for a statewide registry of our Alaska Native Master Artists. Our goal is to produce a document that will tell stories and provide historical context regarding some of Alaska's living treasures.

Major RDU Accomplishments in 2008

Professional Teaching Practices Commission

- Completed 68 investigations of complaints against educators.
- Conducted 2 appeal hearings.
- Disciplined 9 educators through surrender, suspension, revocation or recommendation for denial of licensure.
- Reviewed 292 applications for certification containing background checks indicating criminal convictions. 181
 applicants who had revealed convictions on their applications for certification and/or provided the requested
 details were approved for certification.
- Published and distributed an annual report to interested parties, as well as a semiannual newsletters to all educators and other interested parties in the state.
- Updated and distributed the Professional Code of Ethics Handbook.
- Presented code of professional ethics and the role of the Commission were given to graduating teacher candidates at the University of Alaska Anchorage, the University of Alaska Fairbanks, Alaska Pacific University, the University of Alaska Education Leadership class, Elementary and Secondary Education, Middle School Administrator staff, in-services for the Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District, Kodiak Island Borough School District, Sitka School District, and the Iditarod School District.

Alaska State Council on the Arts

- Successfully managed 204 grants to individuals and organizations a 33% increase over FY 2007. The majority of the increase in grants was for arts in education opportunities.
- Worked with the Alaska State Legislature to pass SB 97, the Silver Hand Native Art Authenticity bill, with unanimous House and Senate approval.

- Completed the statewide exhibit of the Alaska Contemporary Art Bank (Alaska's contemporary art collection) which traveled to Juneau, Petersburg, Cordova and Homer.
- Chosen one of five states to attend the first national Arts Education Leadership Institute, sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts.
- Increased grant programs and professional development work with teachers.
- Developed long term contractual relationship with Anchorage International Airport to manage and curate all art at the airport.
- Convened local arts councils from 12 communities around the state for professional development conference in Juneau (September 2007).
- Increased the public value of the work ASCA does in the state for arts and culture.
- Sponsored the Governor's Awards for the Arts and Humanities (Fairbanks, October 2007).

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Commissions and Boards RDU Financial Summary by Component

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2008 Actuals				FY2009 Management Plan			FY2010 Governor				
	General Funds	Federal Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds	General Funds	Federal Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds	General Funds	Federal Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds
Formula Expenditures None.												
Non-Formula Expenditures Professional Teaching	3.5	0.0	252.1	255.6	15.6	0.0	252.1	267.7	275.0	0.0	0.0	275.0
Practice AK State Council on the Arts	575.3	607.0	181.5	1,363.8	679.3	643.5	210.0	1,532.8	695.3	700.0	210.0	1,605.3
Totals	578.8	607.0	433.6	1,619.4	694.9	643.5	462.1	1,800.5	970.3	700.0	210.0	1,880.3

Commissions and Boards Summary of RDU Budget Changes by Component From FY2009 Management Plan to FY2010 Governor

All dollars shown in thousands

	General Funds	Federal Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds
FY2009 Management Plan	694.9	643.5	462.1	1,800.5
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Professional Teaching Practice	259.4	0.0	-252.1	7.3
-AK State Council on the Arts	16.0	0.0	0.0	16.0
Proposed budget increases:				
-AK State Council on the Arts	0.0	56.5	0.0	56.5
TV0040.0				
FY2010 Governor	970.3	700.0	210.0	1,880.3